To: Strauss, Alexis[Strauss.Alexis@epa.gov]

From: Manzanilla, Enrique Sent: Fri 7/14/2017 5:55:59 PM

Subject: RE: next week

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I'm reviewing it today and will likely sign today. Definitely by Monday since Angeles, Harry and staff are going back out for another roundtable discussion. I want them to convey that it has been signed. I'm the last signature.

From: Strauss, Alexis

Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 10:53 AM

To: Manzanilla, Enrique < Manzanilla. Enrique@epa.gov>

Subject: next week

Thanks. What I need is the likely date we'll sign the Anaconda ROD, given my Tuesday breakfast meeting with Bob Miner.

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Subject: FW: URGENT REQUEST!

Alexis:

We went ahead and sent these answers to Region 3. We were a bit pressed for time.

I think they're on point (at a 30,000 ft level so to speak) and reflective of the challenges ahead.

I hope your meetings next week go o.k. Let me and John know if you need anything else from us.

Enrique

From: Lyons, John

Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 10:37 AM

To: Melvin, Karen < Melvin. Karen@epa.gov >

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Subject: RE: URGENT REQUEST!

Hi Karen,

Sorry for the delay. Here is Region 9's response.

Have a great weekend,

John and Enrique

1. What are your top priorities in the Superfund Program for the next 1-2 years?

Region 9's top priority is to maintain critical operational capacity (staff, FTE and funding) to fulfill our Mission Critical Obligations in core areas such as Emergency Response and priority Remedial Site Work. We would also include in this Priority maintaining an effective Brownfield Program and maintaining an effective CAA 112(r) Compliance

Program.

2. What opportunities do you see for these programs over the next 1-2 years?

We see the opportunity to grapple with resource allocation issues, including those identified by the July draft OIG Report, through a continued dialogue with OLEM management and the Superfund Division Directors.

3. What challenges do you perceive that could impact your priorities?

Current staffing, FTE and funding levels are already limiting the work that Region 9 can accomplish in FY 17. With the prospect of additional reductions in FY 18, we are

particularly concerned about maintaining sufficient support capabilities to conduct core activities. For example, annual cost recovery to replenish our Special Accounts

depend of having accountants in the Comptroller's Office and lawyers to resolve disputes with the PRPs on the oversight bills. Site work in the removal and remedial programs

depend on having a sufficient number of Contract Officers.

From: Melvin, Karen

Sent: Friday, July 14, 2017 4:47 AM

To: Manzanilla, Enrique <<u>Manzanilla.Enrique@epa.gov</u>>; Hill, Franklin <<u>Hill.Franklin@epa.gov</u>> **Cc:** Lyons, John <<u>Lyons.John@epa.gov</u>>; Chaffins, Randall <<u>Chaffins.Randall@epa.gov</u>>

Subject: FW: URGENT REQUEST!

Enrique/Franklin, can I expect anything from you on this request? Let me know? I'd like to cut out early today and head to the beach!

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From: Melvin, Karen

Sent: Wednesday, July 12, 2017 1:35 PM

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Subject: RE: URGENT REQUEST!

Cecil has been tasked to represent the regions' perspective as the Acting RA for the Lead Region for SF. Does that clarify? There will be a 10 minute Q/A after a short discussion on RCRA, a discussion by Kell on the SF Task Force findings and some remarks by Barry Breen.

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Subject: RE: URGENT REQUEST!

Just so I understand the context for your request, your Acting RA, as lead region, will be the primary speaker for the Superfund and Brownfields session along with HQs folks? Or will each Acting RA be asked to provide a very short intervention?

From: Melvin, Karen

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Subject: URGENT REQUEST!

Importance: High

Good morning. As you may know, your Acting RA will be attending the Senior Leadership Council in DC next week. There is a 30 minute session dedicated to Superfund and Brownfields, during which a number of items will be addressed, including but not limited to the Task Force Findings. I have been asked to canvas the regions for another item to be discussed – regional issues. Accordingly, if you could provide the following information about your programs to be

 $asap-Thursday\ afternoon,\ COB?,\ I\ would\ appreciate\ it.\ \ Here's\ what\ is\ needed:$

What are your top priorities in the Superfund/BF Programs for the next 1-2 years?

What opportunities do you see for these programs over the next 1-2 years?

What challenges do you perceive that could impact your priorities?

Thanks. Let me know if you have any questions.

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